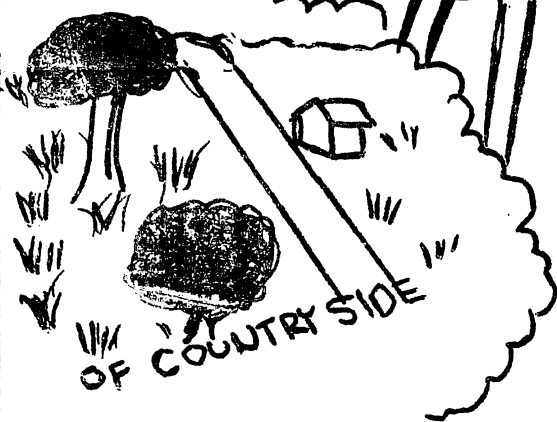
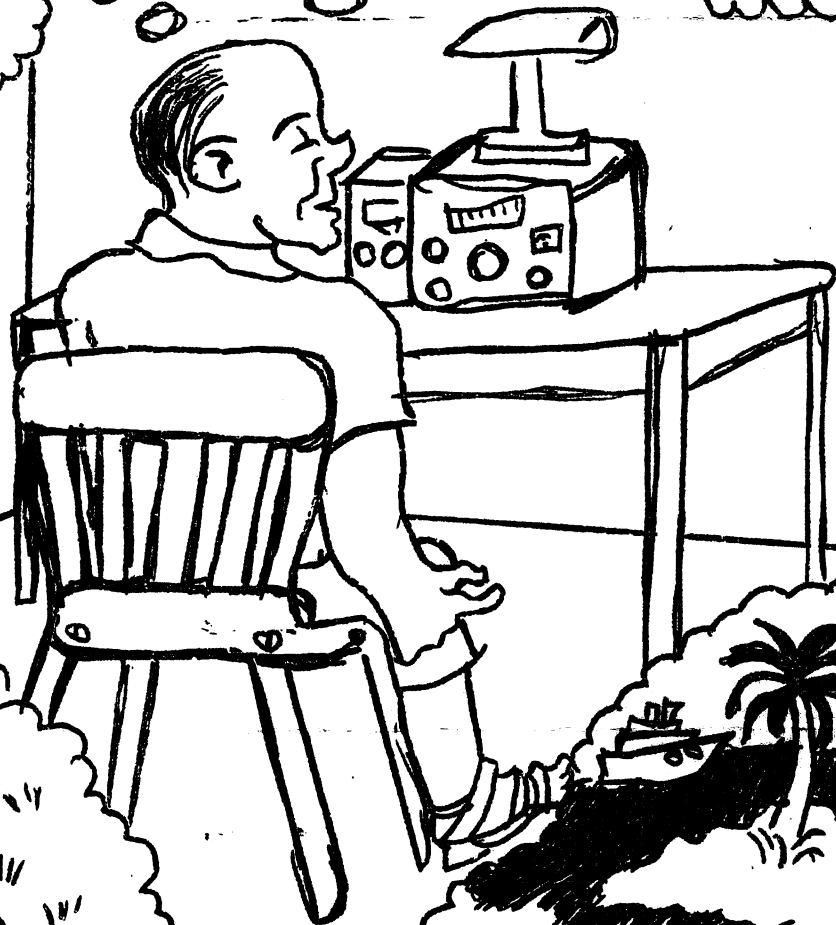
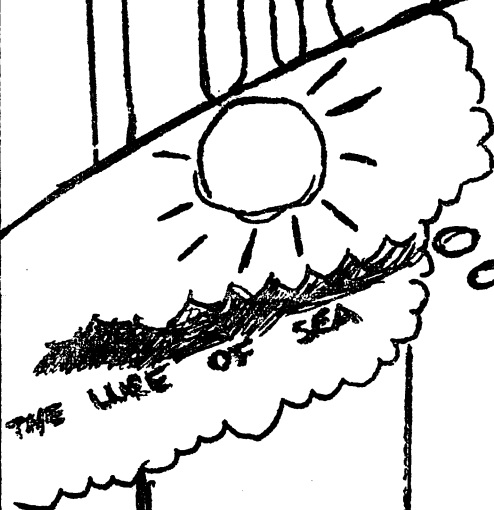


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First Monday of the month at, Town Hall
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From the President...

WAR and PEACE

This is a subject you don't find in the radio books, yet it is a very important part of the amateur radio game. There will be a rash of comments from the XYLS who may read this, and certain OMs will have to dig down and take the family out to a movie to placate the indignant secretaries of war, but it needs be said and since there's no other source of info, it will have to come here in La Blurb. The subject: How to buy yourself some operating time.

Now there are some among us who find this quite a problem and so we should examine the various dodges used and mayhap one or two might help you. There is the case of one of Philmont's stalwarts who has discovered that if he will play bridge on Field Day Eve, he automatically wins considerable operating time. Then there is the usual dilligent mowing of the lawn with perhaps a session of dish drying that has certain effect with some of the dept. of war. Roses out of season are very powerful time getters as are boxes of candy and sweet nothings murmured close to a frosty ear lobe. The great Philmont banquet has proven to be a wonderful asset in glean- ing operating time. Now, as a special club service, in addition to the banquet, we give you the Clam Bake. Boys this is going to be a real doozie of a time getter. You will all get a free pass allowing 24 hours of oper- ating time in your own shack if you cash in on this Bake. If you are a belly ham (and who isn't) this is for you. In addition, anyone interested will get a ride in QZO's motor scooter for a nominal fee. The war dept. will love it. Man! You got it made! Get all the details inside this issue of the Blurb, and get that dough to Ernie. See you there...

W3UVL

Your regular editor is enjoying cool weather somewhere in Minnesota, so the BLURB this month, put together by a bunch of amateurs, will not be up to its usual high standard. The first thing this writer noticed was the great dearth of postcards turned over as the basis of notes for the BLURB. So if this issue is thin, you members have only yourselves to blame. The editors cannot manufacture news. Now for the news we do have. Your Field Day Committee has tabulated the results of our efforts, and they are reproduced below.

W 3 R Q Z

BAND	CONTACTS	SCORE
75 Phone	175	1050
80 CW	148	888
40 Phone	35	210
40 CW	187	1122
10 Phone	67 Plus 20 msgs.	783
2 Phone	56	504
TOTALS	668 Contacts plus 20 msgs.	4557

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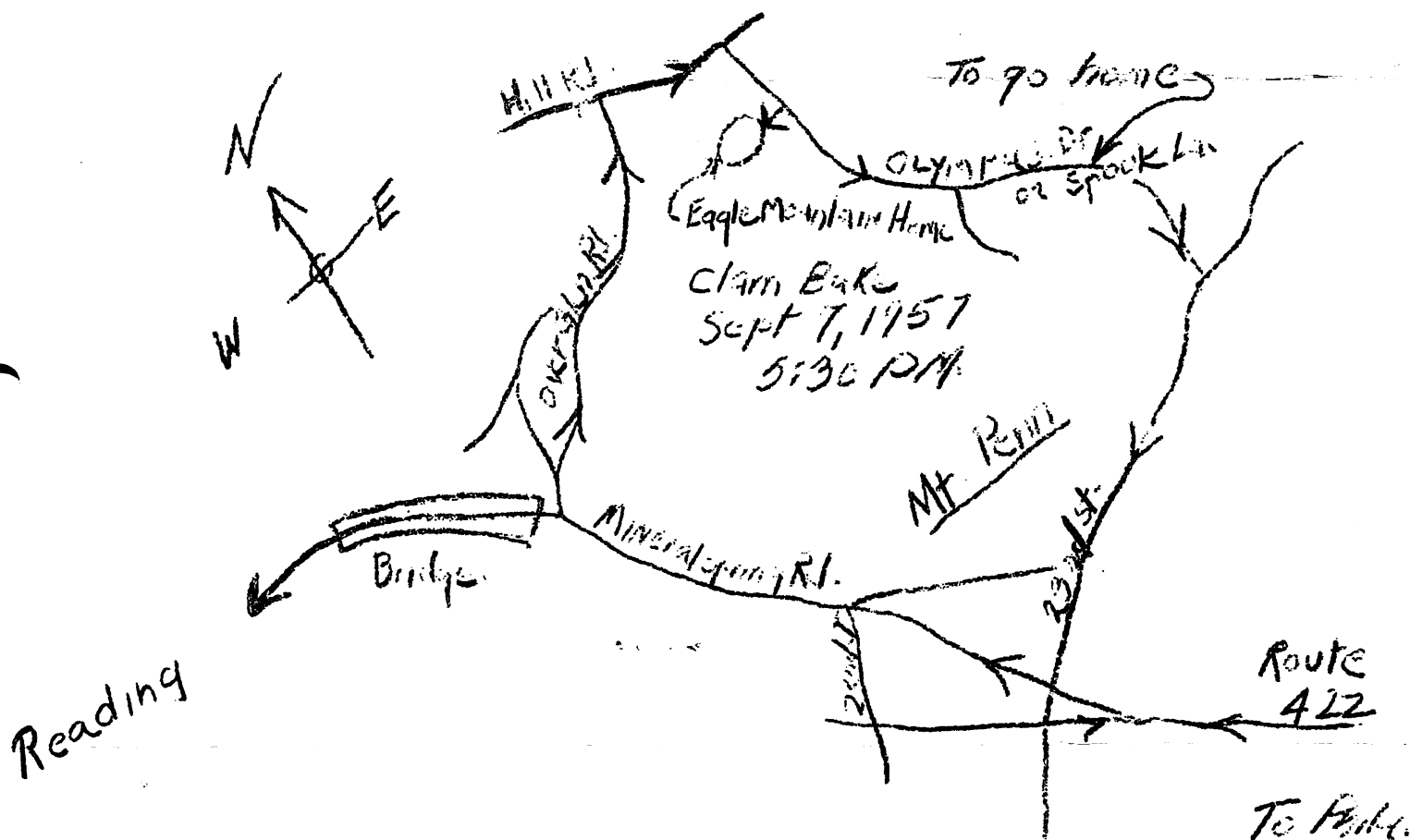
CALL	SCORE	CALL	SCORE
W3VXN	1917	W3DSG	612
W3NIP	1071	W3BBB	580.5
W3HQJ	1039.5	W3AJO	540
W3SAA	945	W3CNO	531
W3PWG	850.5	W3QQH	526.5
W3LNQ	823.5	W3SAI	486
W3PXY	769.5	W3MHR	472
W3YJM	742.5	W3PIT	391.5
W3IRS	675	W3DOU	351
W3WNC	634.5	W3QCV	342
W3UZF	621	W3YFV	306
W3UVL	621	W3FWL	108

This adds up to a Total of 15344.5. Last year we had a total of 15,355. We all had a lot of fun and the Committee is to be commended for the results of its hard work. — Our members will regret to hear that Art W3RFJ suffered a cardiac attack and is in the hospital. As he puts it: "Am recovering from a cardiac attack. Will be here about 2 weeks more. Fine thing coming after a trip to Panama, but lucky it did not happen then!" — Ex W3QZP writes in to say that his present address is 2035 Hilliard Rome Road, Hilliard, Ohio, where he has an acre, but "not enuf money left for radio equipment." He did not give his W8 call, but maybe he hasn't received it yet. — George KH6EM was duly impressed by results of a mobile call on 29, 493 Kc. He immediately contacted W3KNC, W3RQZ, and W3KDO. George was touring the East Coast preparatory to picking up his son, who attended the Scout Jamboree. Several of our members had the pleasure of meeting George personally. — Brad W3EM reports that he will be on 53.560 Mc. FM every Thursday at 8.00 PM. This is a Bucks County CD Frequency, and there will be 2 or 3 other stations in the County on that channel. At present these stations can only listen on that frequency, but plans have been made to have an AM receiver to cover the 6 meter band. DuMont Police equipment is being used at present at the Court House,

in a jeep, and at one or two Township Control Centers. Brad advises that Montgomery County will soon be on 6 meters too.— Burt W3IVD is back in our midst after a trip to Las Vegas. NOT to work: the one-armed bandits (it says here). He listened hard for the ten-on-ten net while passing through the Painted Desert, but only heard Frank KZ5FL trying to raise Doc W3HQJ. He says KH6's were loud and clear in Las Vegas.— Members who are interested in DX and DX QSL Cards (on ten?) should contact W3KT relative to the new rules regarding envelopes. Don't send envelopes to him anymore, but get in touch with him as to the new dope.— The members will be happy to learn that the Communications Truck will now have a DX 100 as part of its equipment. The transmitter was bought assembled, after having been inspected by W3QOH and W3VVS. Soon at Mid-Month it impressed everyone present as being a very clean piece of gear.— W3PXV way off in W0 land, apologizes for giving wrong credits for all the operating on Field Day. The logs reveal that W3's DQG, FWI, HQJ, IM, IW, KCG, LKQ, MHR, NIP, PKY, QKT, QZO, UVL & VSU were among those present at the various operating positions. W3HQJ, with W3QOH logging racked up the highest number of stations in an hour, 22. W3MHR put in the most air time, 7 hours. In considering the above please bear in mind that the dope in the writer's hand does not include 10 meter and 2 meter operators. Please excuse.— More on W3PXV since he was mentioned here. He is cooling his heels at Lake Gogibi, 20 miles South of Lake Superior and 100 miles East of Duluth. He will listen on the frequency with his Ford amid trees 50 feet high. If we hear him (and often we don't hear him when he is right in the neighborhood) we can evaluate the filtering effect of the leaves on those trees.— Visitors at the July meeting included W3FLP, W3MDL, W3VCY, W3FTZ, and Bill Fosnock. New mobile reported was W4YLT.— The Phil-Mont QSL cards sent out by Joe W3UQV, are getting results, as mobiles passing thru the area attest.— Speaking of mobile operation, if any of our members are planning to enjoy a vacation in Canada, mobile operation there involves getting forms from Telecommunications Division, Department of Transport, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. These forms are filled out, returned to Ottawa, whereupon a permit will be returned. This permit is shown to the customs authorities at the border. Operation in Canada, of course, is extended to the Canadian portion of the Amateur Bands. The above is a condensation of ARRL Bulletin Nr 603, June 20 1957.— We received a letter from our old friend Andy W3NL, editor of Autocall. He recalls that last year we had a project for a joint picnic, to be held at some convenient point half-way between Philadelphia and Washington. At mid-month the letter was read, and Hy W3WNC is to get some dope from the AAA relative to suitable places for such a picnic. This will come up at the August meeting, so if you have any ideas turn them loose. Andy suggests a date in September.— An idea upon which action was taken at midmonth was that of a Clam Bake. This idea was brought up by Howard W3IGW. Here is the dope. On Mt. Penn, near Reading, there is an outfit that puts on Clam Bakes, with the main dish either Chicken or Lobster. The price is \$ 5.00 per couple, and the date is Saturday Sept. 7th. The dinner will be served at 5.00 PM. The site has provisions for sports, and a pavilion takes care of matters in case of rain. There are no provisions for children, so this is an adult activity. Reservations with cash should be in Ernie's hands by August 31st, and should specify the main dish for each reservation. This is something different, and there was considerable enthusiasm at the meeting. It will be brought up August 5th at the regular meeting. The affair will not be restricted to Phil-Mont members, members are urged to bring their friends. This Clam Bake is not considered to take the place of a picnic, which is still on the fire, with a tentative date in late August. The 25th has been suggested and W3IGW is checking on the possibility of holding the affair at Montgomery County Park. Any comments will be more than welcome at the August meeting.— Trackloss Travers maintained his unbroken record. Coming back from the Housewares Show at Atlantic City he was aimed at the Walt Whitman Bridge, with a fifty-fifty chance of hitting it, there being two bridges in the general area. —He missed.—By the time this reaches its readers the Model Airplane Meet will be over, but we may expect a report at the August Meeting. Enough mobiles have signed up to give complete coverage through the week. No one knows exactly what to expect, but an interesting time is anticipated.— These sidebanders are always trying out new giz-

mos. Doc W3HQJ decided the clacking of antenna change-over relays was getting on his nerves, and in June QST there was described a device which promised to alleviate this annoyance. So a W3DM Electronic T-R Switch was picked up at a local supply store. Upon inspection at the shack it sure looked like a frail device considering it was only to be separated from 2500 volts by the insulation on a little piece of RG-80. After a lot of thought it was installed and works perfectly. No TVI and no relay clacking. It actually provides gain for receivers used with low power transmitters, and its use is not confined to side-band.

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